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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: ASEC, AFSP

SUBJECT: HOUSING FOR CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER EDWARD MORROW

SUMMARY: CHIEF SEABEE MORROW HAS EXPERIENCED GREAT DIFFICULTY IN LOCATING ADEQUATE HOUSING AT OR NEAR HIS MILITARY QUARTERS ALLOWANCE. THOROUGH SEARCH OF MARKET HAS REVEALED THAT ANY APARTMENT HE MIGHT TAKE WITHIN THE QUOTE SAFE UNQUOTE ZONE WOULD BE NOT ONLY INFERIOR TO HIS NEEDS BUT CONSIDERABLY BELOW THAT OCCUPIED BY HIS SUBORDINATES. EMBASSY, THEREFORE, WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AN APARTMENT PRESENTLY UNDER GOVERNMENT LEASE AVAILABLE TO HIM. END SUMMARY

1. SINCE HIS ARRIVAL APPROXIMATELY FIVE WEEKS AGO, CHIEF MORROW HAS THOROUGHLY LOOKED AT ALL APARTMENTS THAT APPROACHED HIS HOUSING NEEDS AND ALL WERE FAR IN EXCESS OF HIS AUTHORIZED ALLOWANCE AND IN MOST CASES MORE THAN DOUBLE. HIS TEMPORARY LODGING IS DUE TO EXPIRE WITHIN THREE WEEKS AND THE NEED TO GET HIM SETTLED IN PERMAMENT QUARTERS IS THEREFORE AN URGENT MATTER ESPECIALLY SINCE THERE IS ALSO A NEED FOR HIM TO DEPART BEIRUT ON IMPORTANT FIELD TRIPS. ALTHOUGH AN ULTIMATE SOLUTION WOULD BE AN INCREASE IN THE MILITARY ALLOWANCES, THE EMBASSY PROPOSES IN HIS CASE THAT HE BE PERMITTED TO OCCUPY AN APARTMENT THAT IS CURRENTLY UNDER STATE DEPARTMENT LEASE WITH THE LEASE BEING TRANSFERRED TO THE NAVY DEPARTMENT FOR RENTAL PAYMENTS. THE QUARTERS IN QUESTION ARE THOSE PREVIOUSLY LEASED FOR THE RSO. RSO SIDNEY TELFORD, WHO RECENTLY ARRIVED AT POST, HAS REQUESTED PERMISSION TO DRAW QUARTERS ALLOWANCE AND FIND HIS UNCLASSIFIED

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OWN APARTMENT. THE EMBASSY HAS AGREED TO THIS, ANNO HE WILL

VACATE THE GOVERNMENT-LEASED QUARTERS SHORTLY THAT THE EMBASSY EMBASSY WISHES TO GIVE TO MORROW.

2. SINCE THERE WOULD BE NO NET INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF LEASED QUARTERS AT BEIRUT, THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL TO PROVIDE CHIEF MORROW WITH LEASED QUARTERS AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. IT WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE RECEIVING THE APPROPRIATE NAVY FUNDS CITATION TO BE USED FOR PAYMENT OF THE RENT AND UTILITIES. REGARDING THESE PAYMENTS, THE ANNUAL RENT IS LL10,000 OR \$4,425 PAYABLE QUARTERLY IN ADVANCE. THE NEXT QUARTERLY PAYMENT IS DUE AUGUST 1, 1975. THE UTILITIES ON THE APARTMENT HAVE AVERAGED IN THE PAST \$600 PER ANNUM.

3. THE DEPARTMENT'S EARLY TELEGRAPHIC REPLY TO THIS MESSAGE WOULD BE APPRECIATED. GODLEY

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